Annual Report for the Town of Embden, Maine for the Fiscal Year of 2022



2023 Annual Town Municipal Election held Friday, March 3rd at the Embden Town Office 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Open Town Meeting held Saturday March 4th at the Embden Community Center 10 a.m.

Town Information

We welcome all of the residents of Embden to attend and observe our annual Town meetings. In addition to the annual Town Meeting, held on March 4, 2023 this year, the Selectperson's and other Board meetings are an excellent way to witness how your representatives conduct Town business and the processes they use to make decisions that impact our community. All meetings are held at the Embden Town Office unless otherwise noted. For updates and other useful information, please check out the Embden Town website at www.embden.maine.gov.

Embden Town Town Meeting

Saturday March 4, 2023
Beginning at 10am
Embden Community Center

Monthly Meetings:

Select Board Meeting

1st Thursday of each month at 6:15pm

Planning Board Meeting

2nd Thursday of each month at 7pm

School Board Meeting

1st Wednesday of each month

Town Business Hours:

Select Board Thursday 5:30 – 6pm

Code Enforcement Officer Thursday 1 – 4pm (and by appointment)

Assessors Upon request

Town Office

809 Embden Pond Road, Embden ME 04958
Phone (207) 566-5551 Fax (207) 566-5553

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Monday 9AM-4PM
Tuesday & Wednesday 9AM-4PM
Thursday 1PM-6PM
Friday 9AM-4PM

Closed on RSU #74 School Cancellation Days due to weather events.

Norridgewock Transfer Station

(Available to all residents with a transfer sticker which can be obtained at no cost from the Town Clerk)

Sunday - Tuesday Closed

Wednesday 9:30am - 6pm Thursday 9:30am - 6pm Friday 9:30am - 6pm Saturday 7:30am - 4pm

ANNUAL REPORT COMPILED BY:

Christine Sockwell, Town Clerk/Treasurer/Registrar of Voters

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In Honor Of Robert Dunphy



My Dad seemed to be born for public service. He absolutely loved the town of Embden and the people who live here. His only goal was to make the town better than before he served it. Over the years he had many different jobs. Dad was on the School Board when the new high school was built, and he was very proud of that. He had served on the Board of Selectmen for many years and when he made decisions, they were for the betterment of the town he loved so dearly. His favorite position, by far, was the role of Code Enforcement Office. He would spend night after night going over permits, studying rules and new codes, and juggling calls from concerned citizens. My Dad lived by the code. It did not matter to him if you were a millionaire, had one dollar, or who you were. Everyone went by the same code. He did it to protect our ponds and the land of our town. Many people were glad to see him drive up and sign off on their building and others were glad to see him drive away after telling them that they did something they should not have. Either way he seemed to be quite a popular man. Thank you, Dad, for trying to make your little corner of the world a better place.

-Melissa Miller

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Dear Maine Resident:

In January, I was privileged to take the Oath of Office to begin my second term as your Governor. I am deeply humbled by the trust the people of Maine have placed in me, and I look forward to continuing to work hard over the next four years to improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people.

Over the past four years, we have made real progress. We have expanded health care, leading to the largest decline in the uninsured rate of any state in the nation. We fully funded the State's share of public education. We delivered two-years of free community college. We fully restored municipal revenue sharing to five percent. We delivered substantial tax relief, nation-leading inflation relief, and emergency energy relief to help Maine people through difficult times.

Through the Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan, we are strengthening and diversifying our economy. In 2022, our state's gross domestic product – a key measure of economic growth – grew at the 9th fastest rate in the United States. People are moving to Maine at a rate higher than any other New England state, and at one of the highest rates in the nation. We have enacted balanced budgets, and we have built up Maine's "Rainy Day" fund to a record high, preparing our state to continue meeting its commitments in the event of an economic downturn.

While I am proud of the progress we have made, there is more to do, like addressing the housing crisis, the workforce shortage, and the opioid epidemic and strengthening health care, education, and the economy. I know that by working together to tackle these issues head-on, we can improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people and make Maine the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

Thank you again for the honor to serve you as Governor.

Thank you,

Janet T. Mills Governor

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LABOR, AND PENSIONS
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ON INTELLIGENCE
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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the U.S. Senate. I am grateful for the trust that Mainers have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments for our state.

Last year, I secured more than \$500 million for 285 projects from Aroostook County to York County that will promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; improve public safety, infrastructure, and community resources; and protect our environment. To address the crisis of soaring inflation and high energy prices, I led efforts to provide \$2 billion in supplemental funds to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. In the new Congress that begins in 2023, I expect to be the Vice Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and will continue to champion investments to support Maine's communities and families.

Strengthening our economy and supporting good jobs remain a top priority. Along with the Governor and the rest of the Maine Delegation and the associations representing the lobster industry, I worked to protect our hardworking lobstermen and women by pausing for six years the onerous federal regulations that jeopardize our lobster fishery's very existence. Another ongoing threat to Maine's small businesses is the shortage of workers. That's why I led an effort to push the Administration to nearly double the number of H-2B visas that are critical to our hospitality industry. Additionally, when the Administration proposed to cut the construction of a destroyer to be built by Bath Iron Works, I restored this funding to protect Maine jobs and our national security.

When Maine Veterans' Homes announced last year that it planned to close its facilities in Caribou and Machias, I opposed that decision which would have had such a devastating effect on rural veterans and their families. I am glad that the decision was reversed, and I have secured \$3 million to help with upgrades to these facilities. My *AUTO for Vets Act* also became law, which will help disabled veterans maintain their independence by supporting the purchase of a new adaptive vehicle once a decade.

This past year, Congress demonstrated how effective it can be on behalf of the American people when both parties work together. A few of the bipartisan achievements that I was involved in include the *Respect for Marriage Act*, which will provide certainty to millions of loving couples in same-sex marriages while protecting religious liberties, and the *Electoral Count Reform Act*, which establishes clear guidelines for our system of certifying and counting electoral votes for President and Vice President.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and I have honored that work ethic by showing up for every vote. During my Senate service, I have cast more than 8,500 consecutive votes, never having missed one. I remain committed to doing all that I can to address your community's concerns in 2023. If I may be of assistance to you in any way, I encourage you to contact one of my six state offices.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Collins United States Senator

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January 2023

Town of Embden

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Thank you for electing me as your State Representative to the 131st Maine Legislature. I take this responsibility very seriously and look forward to a challenging session in Augusta.

Legislative leadership has appointed me to the Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee. The constant increases in energy costs and the continued expansion of alternative energy sources are major concerns for many in Northern and Western Maine. On this panel, the other members and I will oversee these issues and many others. Your input, as consumers and constituents, will be greatly appreciated as we engage in important discussions over the policies that will directly affect you in your everyday life.

I was elected to the Maine Legislature on the promise to represent you, the people of District 72. To do this, I will be seeking your input regularly and want to hear from you with your comments and concerns. Please call me anytime at **399-4963** or email at skime2@tds.net to keep me updated on those concerns. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by emailing me directly with your request.

Thank you again, for giving me the honor of serving you in Augusta!

Sincerely,

Larry Dunphy

State Representative

Larry C. Dumphy



Senator Russell Black 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0003 (207) 287-1505

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It is an honor to represent you, your family, and the communities of District 5 in the Maine Senate. I am grateful for the trust you have placed in me to work for the betterment of our region and I can assure you that I will work tirelessly on your behalf.

This will be my third term in the Maine State Senate, previously serving all of Franklin County and some towns in Kennebec County. While my district has changed, as a result of redistricting, I know many of the important issues to those in rural Maine remain the same.

With a struggling economy and the cost of groceries, gas, home heating oil and electricity increasing, Maine families, seniors, and small businesses need relief from the high costs breaking our budgets. Addressing the policies that have created some of these high costs is a priority of mine in the coming session. In addition to addressing these costs, the 131st Legislature is tasked with passing a balanced budget by June 30, 2023. This will require careful review of current state spending and prioritizing our needs versus wants, just like Mainers do with their own budgets. As your State Senator, I will be working to find ways to lower taxes and rein in state spending so that you can keep more of your hard-earned money.

I hope during these difficult times we all come together as a community, and reach out to our neighbors in need. Check in with each other and reach out if you or someone you know is struggling. As always, I am eager to help with state-related issues.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. The 131st Legislature certainly has a great deal of work to do; but I believe that if we come together, there is nothing we can't accomplish. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 or Russell.Black@legislature.maine.gov if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely

Russell Black State Senator

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Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Small Business

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. It's an honor to continue serving as your representative in Congress, and I take the responsibility very seriously. I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I've been working on behalf of the people of the Second Congressional District.

In August, I voted for the *Inflation Reduction Act* because it represented a dramatic turnaround from misguided efforts to pass sweeping, ill-designed legislation that tried to accomplish too many things through budget gimmicks, setting up problematic fiscal cliffs in numerous programs and refusing to make the difficult decisions to allow for a fiscally responsible bill.

The *Inflation Reduction Act*, which was signed into law by the president, was fiscally responsible and targeted four key priorities: reducing our national debt and putting our country back on a more sustainable path, lowering the cost of prescription drugs, and making health care more affordable, investing in an all-of-the-above energy strategy to significantly increase oil, gas, and renewable energy production to lower energy costs for Americans, and cracking down on the tax avoidance of billion-dollar multinational corporations. This bill was the first major legislation in the last decade to use the reconciliation process to create a fiscally responsible budget to reduce deficits. The Congressional Budget Office estimated it would reduce deficits by approximately \$300 billion.

As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I also helped pass the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act, which among other things, included key wins for Bath shipbuilders, UMaine, and servicemembers and their families. For shipbuilders, the bill secured authorization for a third DDG-51 destroyer; established a new contract for up to 15 DDG-51 destroyers over the next five years, many of which will be built at Bath Iron Works; and included funding for shipyard infrastructure. The bill also authorized over \$25 million for defense research programs, including UMaine's large-scale manufacturing program. Finally, the bill authorized a 4.6% pay increase to help servicemembers and their families deal with rising costs due to inflation.

Additionally, at the end of 2022, Congress passed a spending bill to fund the government through September of 2023. The bill funds nearly \$27 million in funding for community projects across the Second Congressional District, a lifeline for our lobster industry that freezes any regulatory action for at least six years, and secures millions in additional funding for the Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to help Mainers heat their homes.

Regardless of the year, one of my top priorities is ensuring I'm accessible to you. My staff and I can help answer questions about and navigate federal programs; find resources in Maine; and resolve issues with Medicare, Social Security, the VA, and other federal agencies and programs. We are here to help:

• Caribou Office: 7 Hatch Drive, Suite 230, Caribou, ME 04736. Phone: (207) 492-6009

• Lewiston Office: 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767

Bangor Office: 6 State Street, Suite 101, Bangor, ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

I look forward to building on momentum from recent legislative wins for Mainers and continuing to work on your behalf in 2023. Do not hesitate to reach out and voice an opinion on legislation, let us know about local events, or seek assistance navigating federal agencies or programs. It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully,

Jared F. Golden Member of Congress

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Spirit of America Award 2023 Carol Dolan

Carol has served the town of Embden, and the surrounding area, in a variety of ways and continues to serve.

She co-chaired the Embden Bicentennial Committee in 2004, she was instrumental in the planning and execution of the event. As a result of her coleadership and fundraising efforts for this event, funds were allotted for the event as well as a granite Veterans Memorial at the Embden Town House, and "Welcome to Embden" signs.

Carol served as treasurer for the Embden Travelers Snowmobile Club for several years as well as serving on the Embden Community Center Club since its inception. She currently serves as secretary for the Embden Community Center Club.

She was involved in the elaborate lunch for the Maine Bicycle Coalition of Maine at the ECC in 2017.

Carol has participated in cemetery maintenance in Embden since 1983 and has served as secretary for the Sunset Cemetery Assn. for 20 years.

Carol served as secretary for the Embden Long Range Planning Committee in the 1990's.

Carol was involved in the first meeting of the Embden Historical Society in 1983 and has served as president for 12 years, VP for 11 years, and secretary for 2 years. Through the years and her input, each year a \$1000 scholarship is awarded to an Embden resident to further their education in the helping professions.

Carol is instrumental in getting the word out about events happening in the area through her email chain.

She is the first to thank the many people involved in the variety of groups she is involved with who also keep things going.

Spirit of America Award 2023 Carol Dolan

Thank you, Carol Dolan, for your service to the people of the Town of Embden.



Selectboard Letter

Finally, we are seemingly nearing normalcy regarding COVID and its variants. The Selectboard wants to acknowledge the hard work, challenges, and risks that **ALL** town employees endured as well as our inhabitants who kept our town operating through these pandemic years. Without your understanding and cooperation town business could have come to a complete standstill. Instead, we have come out of this thing not needing to play catch up in regard to the unprecedented amounts of building permits, registrations, licenses, property assessments, voter turnout, infrastructure improvements, etc. For this we wholeheartedly thank you.

It appears that 2023 is starting off and will continue with the same momentum. That said, we are working to provide additional staffing time with associated wage increases, to handle the continuing workload. Conversations with town employees have produced fantastic feedback and resulted in an eagerness to work the additional hours required to get the various jobs done. As examples, the Town office hours will be expanded, and Assessing and Code Enforcement efforts will be enhanced.

This year's budget will show inflationary increases in most budget lines, however, there should be some tangible revenue offsets from additional sources. Our hopes are that our School and County assessments will reflect some revenue-based relief as well, but unfortunately, we do not have that forecasting ability at the town level.

Please refer to the reports in the following pages to get a sense of what is happening in our community. As always, we encourage participation throughout our network of town and community offerings. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Town of Embden Select Board



Janice Welch

Elected & Appointed Town Roles

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Town Clerk's Report

To the Citizens of Embden,

Statistics from 2022 for the Town of Embden:

Sporting Licenses issued in 2022

Resident Crossbow Hunting	1	Nonresident 15-Day Fishing	1
Resident Hunting & Fishing Combo	17	Nonresident Hunting & Fishing Combo	2
Resident Hunting	3	Saltwater Fishing Registry	3
Resident Fishing	15	Resident Over-70 Lifetime License	5
Nonresident Fishing	7	Resident Superpack	1
Resident Archery Hunting	4		
Nonresident Archery Hunting	1		



Photo: Janice Welch

In 2022 Embden welcomed eight "New Bundles of Joy".

Congratulations to the Families!!!!

Best wishes to the three couples that married in 2022!!!!

Licensed Dogs:153

2022 was a fantastic year! I've said it before, and I'll say it again. Between the people and the land, this is a one-of-a-kind place. I am very honored, and thankful to serve you Embden. Because of the Residents here, I look forward to coming to work every day. That's a very special feeling. Thank you for letting me be part of your community.

Sincere gratitude,

Christine Sockwell

Town Clerk/Treasurer/Registrar

In Memoriam of the Residents Who Passes in 2022

Decedent Name	<u>Age</u>	Date of Death
Burrill,Darron	57	05/28/2022
Cates,Kitty J.	66	03/10/2022
Cole,Donald C.	78	02/13/2022
Domer, Faye Avis	83	05/06/2022
Dunphy,Robert	74	11/27/2022
Lavasseur,Ronald G.	70	01/28/2022
Lightbody, Jennie Elizabeth	88	09/06/2022
Mclean,Nancy	87	09/03/2022
Merrill,Robert E.	79	06/07/2022
Mullin,Roy A.	86	07/06/2022
Newell, Sharon Elaine	76	08/13/2022
Pinkham,Alan R.	68	08/19/2022
Ryan,Ranita Bradeen	94	01/28/2022
Thrasher, Michael A.	52	06/15/2022
Ward, Michael G.	67	08/25/2022



Tax Collector's Report

Dear Residents and Taxpayers of Embden,

I am going to start this letter off by asking you for your phone number! If I need to contact you because of a forgotten tax payment, a returned tax bill, or for whatever, it makes it easier if I can call you.

The other thing I am going to ask for is: Please send extra money if your tax payment is late. Interest accrues automatically and sending only the amount stated on your tax bill doesn't get you a zero balance. Anything extra you send will go towards your next year taxes.

The most important thing I want to say is: Thank You for being the wonderful people that you are, which makes my job so enjoyable! I will always do my best to help you with all your registration needs, tax needs, questions, or whatever else in the office I can help with. Did I tell you yet "I love my job"?

I hope 2023 is Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous for all of you.

Sincerely, Ruth Embden Tax Collector

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2022 Tax Assessor's Report

ASSESSMENTS:

TOTAL ASSESSMENT	\$3,909,726.90
OVERLAY	(\$10,244.79)
EDUCATIONAL APPROPRIATION	\$1,788,235.00
MUNICIPAL APPROPRIATION	\$1,589,561.00
COUNTY TAX	\$542,175.69

DEDUCTIONS:

TOTAL ASSESSMENT	\$3,382,213.16
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	\$527,513.74
OTHER REVENUES	\$318,618.00
BETE REMBURSEMENTS	\$22.03
HOMESTEAD REIMBURSEMENTS	\$71,835.06
STATE REVENUE SHARING	\$137,038.65

To the Residents of Embden,

I want to thank everyone for the opportunity to serve as your Assessor. I have enjoyed working with the Select Board, ladies in the town office, residents, and taxpayers.

The Maine Legislature provides Property Tax Relief through many different programs. The applications, instructions, and other information regarding property tax relief can be found on the State of Maine Revenue Services website. Applications are also located in the town office.

All applications MUST be received by April 1st to take effect in 2023. Also, please inform the assessing office by April 1st of any changes to the buildings on your property since last year.

Respectfully,

Shirley Bartlett, CMA Embden Assessor

Road Commissioner Report

Residents and Taxpayers of the Town of Embden,

As your Road Commissioner, it has been a continued honor to serve the citizens of Embden throughout 2022. I would also like to thank the Select Board, Town Clerk, and all sub-contractors that assisted me this year.

We started this busy season off with sweeping and grading of the town roads. It was a dry summer, so we purchased a lot of calcium for dust control along these roads. The Fahi Pond Road was repaved with shoulders completed in July, adding the white and yellow lines which had never been completed on this road before. Also in July, shoulders were added to the Wentworth Road, East Shore Road, and West Shore Road. The Getchell Road was also resurfaced with ¾ gravel in August.

We had many washouts of the town roads due to significant heavy rain this fall, and we are continuing to repair these areas. In the upcoming year we will be ditching the sides of many of these roads that continue to experience washouts.

In 2023, we will be replacing some resident entrance culverts as well as some town road culverts on the East Shore Road to allow for better water flow. We will also be repaving the Williams' Hill portion of the Moulton Road, as well as the Bert Berry Road. If budgets allow, we will be resurfacing the existing paved portion of the Dunbar Hill Road.

I want to thank you again for letting me serve the town of Embden in 2022, and I look forward to serving you in 2023.

Sincerely, Michael E. Witham Town Road Commissioner



Road Commissioner Financial Report

Payroll	Michael Witham	5595.11
Culverts	Ware-Butler Jorden Lumber	4250.00 898.00
Gravel	Michael Witham d.b.a. Charles Nickerson William Redmond Trucking Dick Quimby & Sons Construction	78,192.00 7236.71 6992.02 3493.80
Equipment Rental	Skowhegan Equipment & Tool Eric Creamer	980.00 450.00
Hot Top	Lucas Striping	6327.40
Road Signs	Swan Screen Printing	297.60
Calcium	Paris Farmers Union	7040.00
Contracts	Fine Line Paving Michael Witham d.b.a. Shelden Brown Belanger Tree Care Roderick Trucking	155,528.74 46,839.41 2850.00 2600.00 450.00



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Code Enforcement Report

To the Residents & Taxpayers of the Town of Embden,

It has been an extremely busy year, many times requiring two to three planning board meetings per month. In August, the Select Board authorized the CEO to issue RURAL permits, making it easier on both the Residents and the Planning Board to obtain a permit so construction can begin in a timely manner. So far, I have issued seven rural permits.

A lot of my time has been spent in the shoreline zones and the solar farm site. We are fortunate to have a dedicated DEP representative who has spent a lot of his time here in Embden this year.

I look forward to another busy year. If anyone has questions, I am in the office on Thursdays from 1pm-4pm and I am available by phone to take your calls.

It has been a pleasure to serve the Town of Embden!

Respectfully,

Terriann Lamontagne, CEO



Janice Welch

General Assistance Report

During the Calendar year, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2022 the Town of Embden had three General Assistance applications. The results of those applications are as follows:
Case #001-2022: Electricity, propane, & food\$847.00
Case #002-2022: #2 Fuel oil\$706.27
Case #003-2022: Housing/rent\$500.00
Total GA expended in 2022\$2,053.27*
70% DHHS reimbursement to the Town of Embden(\$1,437.29)
Total expenditure from Surplus\$615.98
*Additionally, the Town received a grant for \$1,000.00 of supplemental funds made available from the United Way "HEAT/Keep ME Warm" project. These funds were distributed equally between two households in need of heating fuel assistance.
Respectfully submitted,
Charles E. Taylor
General Assistance Officer

E-911 Addressing Report

This year we purchased 18 road signs.

Eleanor, Thank you for your 25 plus years of service to the town of Embden as E911 director, Planning Board member, and in your other various voluntary town roles. Your willingness to participate along with your knowledge of Embden's history, infrastructure, and its people has proven invaluable over the years. Enjoy your "retirement", we sincerely appreciate what you have done for ALL of us. You will be missed, Stay well!

The Embden Select Board



Local Plumbing Inspector Report

In 2022, there were new septic systems installed and old systems improved and brought to compliance. Specifically, there were 25 new plumbing permits issued: 9 complete systems, 4 tank replacements and 10 internal permits. Some of the internal permits were for new construction in the area.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leo Mayo LPI #1009

Board of Appeals Report

During 2022 there was a request for variance within the shoreland zone brought to the Appeals Board. It was granted as a disability variance and allows the use to the landowner for as long as the disability exists. The following served as board members:

Mary Keenan 566-0631

Dale Mullin 635-3385

John Duff 566-5722

Update training is planned for 2023 members.

John Duff, Chairman

2022 Embden Planning Board Report

This was one of the busiest year's that the Planning Board had. The Board reviewed and issued 68 permits for the construction of residences, garages, repairs, renovations and additions to existing buildings, replanting of vegetation and driveway construction. There were five (5) "After the Fact" permits. In August the Select Board authorized the CEO to issue permits outside of the shoreland zone to relieve some of the pressure on the Planning Board due to the number of permits being requested with the shoreland zone.

Please remember that before you start **any** construction, you should contact the Code Enforcement Officer to see if a building permit is required, **especially if construction is within 250 feet of a body of water**. Any construction within the town that is over 200 sq. feet requires a building permit.

Please be sure when submitting an application to Terri Lamontagne, Code Enforcement Officer, that all the requirements have been submitted with the application including the processing fee of \$25.00, and the required number of copies of the application. **Pictures of the site involved are required with all applications.** If you have owned the property less than two years, a copy of your recorded deed **must** accompany the application. An incomplete application only delays the process. Once again this year, the Board had to hold multiple meetings due to lack of and/or inaccurate information and measurements on several applications. Once Ms. Lamontagne has completed the site review, she will submit the application with attachments at the Board's next meeting.

An application must be received by the CEO or the Town Clerk by the last Thursday of the month in order to be considered at the following month's Planning Board meeting.

Board members and terms are:

Randy Caldwell, alternate

Aaron Crocker, alternate

Leo Mayo, Chairman	March, 2025
Kelly Bragg	March, 2026
Bill Gassert	March, 2027
Ann Bridges, Secretary	March, 2023
Myles Durkin	March, 2024
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Planning Board meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Embden Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann C. Bridges, Secretary

March, 2023

March, 2023

Embden Travelers Snowmobile Club

Find us on Facebook

The Embden Travelers Snowmobile Club was created to provide recreation, enjoyment and entertainment for the residents of Embden and others when using the snowmobile trails. The organization consists of volunteers that build and maintain all that is necessary to support this non-profit activity this year consisting of 35 miles of trails. In support of this effort, the Club thanks the residents of Embden for approving the monetary support of this organization. The ETSC is usually supported annually by a State grant, family and business memberships, as well as donations and fund raisers. These funds are used to build and repair bridges, and to fuel and maintain our equipment. Our trail system provides access to North New Portland, Pleasant Ridge and the Interconnecting Trail to Solon and North Anson leading to the 14,000 miles of trails in the State.

Currently, the ETSC has 52 family memberships, 7 businesses and 8 associate memberships. At the time of this writing (February 9, 2023) trail conditions are fair. We are experiencing a mild winter and snowfall amounts are about 50% normal. The ice thickness on Embden Pond varies, but probably averages 12"-14". As a reminder, the State of Maine has left all the shallow water buoys in place on Embden Pond. Please be alert to these hazards if you are able to sled on the pond. At this time, there is a trail closure from Dunbar Hill Road to the railroad bed by the Solon Bridge due to active logging. The trail from the Embden Junction to East Shore Rd is rerouted to Walker Road. This should be used for local traffic only. Part of the trail from East Shore to Dunbar Hill Road crossing has been cleared by last year's logging dregs and is passable. However, we have posted a reroute around Sandy and Fahi ponds as the recommended route to ITS 84 and the railroad bed. We are looking forward to the annual Snow Fest with the Embden Pond Association on February 18.

Normally, we have a potluck the third Saturday in October, the second Saturday of December and meet as necessary January through April. Membership (\$30.00/family) is open to everyone. Contact Membership chairperson Amy Champany (566-5097) or, Vice President John Duff (566-5722) for an application.

It is with great respect that the ETSC extends appreciation to the landowners of Embden, Concord Township and North Anson who grant us permission for the use of their land for the purpose of snowmobiling. Without their support, the activity would not be enjoyed locally.

John Duff, Embden Travelers S. C.



Embden Historical Society Report

John "Jack" MacLean received the ceremonial Embden Boston Post Cane from the Society on January 28, 2022, at his home with his children present.

Embden's cemeteries were cleaned up, weed wacked, mowed, and American flags placed on the Veteran's graves prior to Memorial Day. Some of the cemeteries require mowing several times. Headstones were repaired and fences were replaced. In November Arbor Mountain Tree Services cut three decaying trees at the perimeter of the Cragin Cemetery which were endangering the headstones. The abutting landowner was very cooperative. All-in-all a productive year.

Michael Williams' (of New London, NH) genealogical request was fulfilled by two of our members regarding his Williams' line.

Our \$1,000.00 Scholarship was awarded this year in June to Garrett Wilson who was very appreciative. The actual funds are not dispersed until January when the student completes the first semester and provides satisfactory grades to the Society. *Scholarship: Any Embden resident who is graduating or has graduated from high school, is eligible to apply for this scholarship. Priority consideration will be given to students who are pursuing a career in the "helping professions" fields such as, but not limited to, medicine, health care, education, social work, law enforcement, counseling, clergy, public administration and non-profit positions.*

The Town House was cleaned May 5 (inside and the grounds) as is done annually. This year minor repairs were done to the building and the West and South walls were painted. Home Depot was helpful in providing a nice discount on paint and supplies. The deteriorated "Town House" sign was repainted by the original sign painter from the 1980's.

Cora Bigelow gave the Society a photo of her parents in front of a dwelling in which the following is written on the back: "Taken on the Lynn Foss place in Embden. Tom and I cooked there." Picture is dated Sept. 16, 1943 and is from Bicknell Photo Studio from Portland. Thomas Bigelow (born 1890) was the cook. Also pictured were his wife, Lillian/Lillie Corson Bigelow, together with some of their children. We are trying to find out where this house was located and additional genealogical information.

A variety of maple syrup sap spiles (from wood to metal) were donated to the Society.

In 2022 the Society had 77 paid members.

Next year's schedule: (Meetings at 6:30 p.m.; Program at 7:00 p.m.) at The Town House:

May 4, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. (Rain date May 5.) Clean Town House and grounds.

May 8, 2023 "Downeast Genius: Why Maine had so many Inventors" By Earl H. Smith

June 12, 2023 Historical Aspects of "A Long Way to Walk & Life in the Backwoods" By Norm Kalloch

June 19, 2023 Tour of some of Embden's 19 cemeteries. Meet at Town House at 1:00 p.m.

<u>July 10, 2023</u> Travel to Lexington/Highland History House, 3 Back Rd, Lexington. Tour of their 11-year-old History House and Barn along with a Speaker. Meet at 3:30 p.m. Town House to Car Pool.

Embden Historical Society Report

August 14, 2023 King's Broad Arrow Act & How White Pine Helped Build New England? By Jim Ferrante

September 11, 2023 Benedict Arnold artifacts; 1775 expedition through Maine By Kenny Wing

September 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Embden Community Center - Executive Committee Meeting to plan 2024's Program

October 9, 2023 Halifax (Nova Scotia) Explosion of December 7, 1917 By Samuel Howes

Please feel free to attend as many of the programs that interest you. And/or if you would like to join the Society, please mail dues of \$5.00 per person to: Bob Donovan, 547 Dunbar Hill Road, Embden, ME 04958

The Solon Historical Society provided the Society with a digital photo of their stereo optic view card of the **Gray Farm/Gray Mansion** on the Kennebec River Road.



Early Embden settler Capt. John Gray's great grandson was Joel Gray (1830-1874). Joel went to Boston and was very successful in the hotel business, namely the old United States Hotel. He built and owned the first Carrabassett Hall in North Anson in 1870. Once he returned to Embden he was an advocate of building the Somerset Railway. Joel Gray married Elvira Drury. He built the house (estimated value \$40,000.00 at the time) which was located on the West side of Kennebec River Road (now an agricultural field). The house had a Mansard roof and was known as one of the most pretentious dwellings in Embden at the time. Joel died in 1874 at the age of 44. Elvira sold the farm in 1888 to Randall Ellis of Belfast. Later Randall Ellis' son Harlan sold the farm in 1915/16 to Joseph Guerette of Canada. Embden Town of Yore (copyright 1929) states that "Not many years ago one of the spacious rooms upstairs was used as a Dance Hall." Joseph Guerette no longer occupied the house about the mid 30's and the house was left vacant for a few years until William "Will" and Doris Tasker bought it in 1939/40. They lived in the house until it burned July 31, 1946 destroying the house, a barn full of hay, a hog and some piglets. Furniture and a piano in the front room were saved. Doris Tasker was a descendant of Capt. John Gray and was Embden's Tax Collector (in her home) for many years.

Carol Dolan, President 612-8887 or mcdolan@roadrunner.com for more information

Embden Community Center Report

The Embden Community Center Club has been very busy this year.

The suppers including the steak tip dinner and annual Thanksgiving meal were big hits. Suppers are held the second Saturday most months. Watch for the postings on entrance road signs.

The "Neighbor to Neighbor" Thrift store continues to operate and true to its name share items "Neighbor to Neighbor". The store is open 9 a.m.-12 p.m. on a Wednesday and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on a Saturday. Donations are welcome at those times. There is a room available with free items.

The ECC lending library is open anytime the ECC is open, lots of book titles to pick from and it runs on the honor system, borrow and return when you are done.

Country Sundays are the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. Lots of great music and dancing. Contact Dave or Leah at 207-951-0534 for more information.

Yoga with Cyndia is on Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.(chair) and 5:30 p.m. (regular) and Saturday mornings at 8 am. All are welcome. Contact Cyndia at 978-758-2087.

The Embden Community Center has a bottle/can returnables bin in the parking area. All returnables are welcome and appreciated. All proceeds go to the Embden Community Center.

The Sewing Room is open when the Thrift Store is open. The group makes lots of great items for our community and welcomes new people. No experience necessary.

In the entrance hallway of the ECC there is a mini food cupboard. If you need items please take what you need, if you have extra items they are welcomed.

There have been maintenance projects this year at the ECC. The building siding is more maintenance free. Heat pumps were installed through a Rebate Program, at little cost to the center. The ECC has an on-demand generator, in any extreme emergency the center could be used. Call Wayne (474-1065) or Jan (566-5679).

Volunteers and donations are always welcome at the ECC.

A friendly reminder, the Embden Community Center is available for your events. The Center is free to use for Embden residents and can be rented for a small fee to others. Contact Wayne McLaughlin.

Don't forget our Facebook page "Embden Community Center". It's where happenings at the ECC are posted. It is the only on-line resource for the ECC at this time.

A special THANK YOU to all the volunteers who continue to keep the Community Center up and running. Embden Rocks!!!



Embden Pond Association Report

I am happy to report that the Embden Pond Association has seen record growth in the past two years. We have had an increase in our regular membership and a big increase in our business members.

We have also formed a new committee which is the Lake Smart and Native Plant Committee. This project is very important if we are to keep this pond one of the cleanest in Maine. We started to see a slight difference in water quality in the past year. With the increase of development and building on and around the pond, it's important to constantly have educational tools available to homeowners to address what should be done to your waterfront and roadsides to prevent runoff into the lake.

There has not been any lack of fun on the pond this year. We had a record crowd at our members breakfast followed by an awesome and very patriotic boat parade. It's great to be back to normal with gatherings without masks. I think it has been one of the best summers in a few years.

As winter makes its very slow way to us, let's remember to check the ice before traveling across the pond.

I have been working overtime on my snow dance and so far, all it has produced is exhaustion.

Stay safe!

Ernie Falcone

President of the Embden Pond Association





Madison

Library

To the Citizens of Madison:

Our library is busier than ever. Story times, book clubs and summer programs were all well attended. Library checkouts are back to normal, with some significant increases. Total checkouts for 2022 were as follows:

Print books 13,414 (+2834) Ebooks 1,793 (+266) Digital audiobooks 656 (+10)

Total 15,863 (+3,110)

These totals reflect an overall increase in library usage, with almost 2,000 additional checkouts in the children's section and over 850 additional checkouts in the adult section, compared to the previous year.

We hosted two 7-week summer programs, one for elementary school children, the other a junior high book club. Average attendance for the younger group was 26 people—18 children and 8 adults—with 6-7 middle schoolers attending book club each week.

Story time continues to be offered every Tuesday at 10AM. Average attendance for story time is 4 children and 3 adults. Life is busy. Many different families attend when they can; not every family attends every week. All children are welcome, but stories are geared toward ages 3-8.

The Madison Christmas Celebration was held on December 4th. We gave out books and gift bags to children during regular business hours; 89 children and their parents/caregivers visited the library. The remaining 11 bags were given to children who visited the library during December.

Also in December, we received a grant for \$50,000 from The Stephen & Tabitha King Foundation. This grant will pay the bulk of the dome window restoration project, with the remaining \$24,000 being paid out from a combination of maintenance funds, copies and fines monies, an anonymous donation of \$5,000 that we received in January, and the library trust fund. The project should be completed by the end of this fiscal year.

The ramp will have to be replaced in the next few years; it is serviceable for now but is almost 40 years old. As each project is finished, another comes along...we trust the town will support us in that endeavor when the time comes.

We have a very generous community. As always, my thanks to the patrons and taxpayers of Madison, Anson, North Anson, Starks, and Embden and to our trustees. Your generous financial support and timely advice is much appreciated, especially during the many challenges we have all faced these past few years.

Business hours are as follows:

Monday through Friday 9AM – 5:30PM Saturday 9AM – 2:00PM

Rest assured, we will continue to provide library services—in whatever forms they may take—to the people of Madison and its surrounding towns. We serve the community of readers!

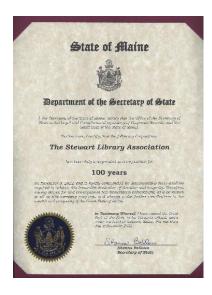
Respectfully submitted,

Julie Forbus Head Librarian

Stewart Public Library

37 Elm Street P.O. Box 177 North Anson, Maine 04958 635-3212

Website: www.stewartpub.lib.me.us
Email: stewpub1@gmail.com
Facebook: facebook.com@libnansonme





Stewart Public Library (SPL) is an all-volunteer, full-service local library with 501(c)3 status. Serving Anson and Embden residents and all R.S.U. #74 students, the collection of books, audios, CDs and DVDs are available for two-week lending periods. Wi-Fi is available 24/7. Library hours are posted on the portable sign, on the website and the Facebook page. We have a great collection of large print adult books. Health precautions are in effect.

Wifi unique users totaled 1,983. The website had 3,050 visits from 2,406 unique visitors.

The Secretary of State presented the Stewart Library Association dba Stewart Public Library a certificate for being incorporated for 100 years. The library was begun in 1899, but not incorporated until 1922.

SPL had \$10,955 in income plus the checking account. Due to the reduced number of volunteers available, we held a book sale outside the North fire station. Our expenses totaled \$14,357. Volunteers worked over 700 hours. The value of the library usage calculates to \$19,777. Statistics for all Maine libraries can be accessed by Googling 'Maine Library Annual Report Statistics.'

2022 Desk Volunteers: Glenna Blazic, Betsy Burpee, Alyson Duff, Kathy Falcone, Angela Larlee, and Emily Quint. A sincere thank you for your dedicated service! Volunteers Desiree Bolduc, Betsy Burpee, John and Alyson Duff, Jeff Goodwin, Linda Harvie, Angela Larlee, Adam and William Lawrence, Jeanne Moore, Mitchell and Emily Quint served on special projects. A special thanks to all the individuals who donated their time, money, services and books. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely, Stewart Public Library Emily Quint, Volunteer Librarian/Director Mitchell Quint, Pres., Stewart Library Association



2022 Sheriff's Office Annual Report



Dale P. Lancaster Sheriff

On January 1, 2023, I began my third term as your Sheriff. I want to thank everyone for your continued support. It is an honor to serve the residents of Somerset County. The Office of Sheriff oversees the operations of the County Jail, law enforcement, court security, and civil process. Somerset County is approximately 4,000 square miles. The County is comprised of 27 towns, 6 plantations, and 83 unorganized townships. This year, I continue to serve as President of the Maine Sheriff's Association. I continue my appointment to the Board of Directors for the New England State Police Information Network. I also sit on the newly formed Statewide County Corrections Professional Standards Council.

The U.S. Government has declared that Covid-19 is no longer a pandemic. We continue to work through the residual effects of the pandemic on a daily basis. This has been a challenging year hiring and retaining men and women to work as Deputies and Corrections Officers. In 2023, the Sheriff's Office is expecting to become MLEAP accredited, a State of Maine accreditation program that certifies our Agency is working from recognized policies and procedures governing best practices in law enforcement.

Law Enforcement

The Patrol division is comprised of 11 Patrol Deputies and 3 Sergeants. Through funding from the State of Maine, we have 2 Deputies dedicated to patrolling the unorganized townships. Presently, those positions are vacant, and we are searching for qualified candidates. The Patrol division is overseen by a Lieutenant. The Criminal division is comprised of three Detectives and is overseen by a Lieutenant. The Sheriff's Office continues to partner with MDEA (Maine Drug Enforcement Agency) to have an agent assigned to the Criminal division. The Patrol division has 2 trained drug recognition experts. The Sheriff's Office has 2 canines, a canine assigned to each division.

The Sheriff's Office assigns 1 Deputy per shift to patrol the Town of Madison. We have a Secretary/Dispatcher assigned to Madison, and an SRO position that is currently not filled.

In 2022, the Sheriff's Office had 1 Deputy (Deputy Stacey Slate) graduate from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. Throughout 2022, The Sheriff's Office Criminal Division investigated a large volume of illicit drug trafficking activities. The Sheriff's Office obtained and executed numerous drug search warrants, which subsequently led to the arrest and conviction of numerous people from Maine and out of State on various Federal and State level drug trafficking charges. Illegal drugs, in particular Fentanyl, continue to be a significant issue in Somerset County. The Criminal Division dedicates a large amount of time and resources to combat this problem. The Criminal Division investigated numerous serious felony level cases to include robberies, burglaries, thefts, scams, aggravated assaults, unattended deaths and sexual abuse cases. In 2022, the Crimes Against Persons Detective investigated 27 sex crimes. 17 of those cases involved child sexual abuse where forensic interviewing was utilized. Detective Jeremy Leal is a Children's Advocacy Center forensic interviewer. As a result of these investigations, and working with the District Attorney's Office prosecuting these cases, we were able to get substantial sentences in a number of child abuse cases. The Sheriff's Office Criminal Division tracks individuals who are required by law to register as sex offenders. 3 individuals were charged with Sex Offender Registration Notification Act violations.

Jail

The Somerset County Jail, when operating at full capacity, operates with 36 budgeted Correctional Officers, 8 Shift Supervisors, 2 cooks, 12 program and support staff, and 9 administrative staff to include Major Cory Swope, who is the Jail Administrator. The County Jail is now 15 years old. With the use of funds received through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, we anticipate that the Jail bond will be paid off within 2 years. The County Jail is nationally accredited through the American Correctional Association and is operating under nationally accepted best practice standards. The



County Jail is also PREA (Prison Rape Elimination Act) certified. In 2022, the Somerset County Jail had 1,057 total bookings, a 26% increase from 2021. We are 1 of only a couple Jails in the United States that are part of a pilot program distributing Sublocade to inmates who identify with an opioid use disorder. We continue to partner with Redington-Fairview General Hospital and their Pathways to Recovery opioid response implementation grant consortium. The Jail continues implementation of a new inmate telephone system and Jail management system through Securus. Inmates are now issued individual tablets as part of the Securus contract.

Recruitment and hiring initiatives continue to be ongoing. Starting Corrections Officer wages were recently adjusted to \$20.23 per hour in an effort to be more competitive throughout the local economy. Presently, the Jail has 10 openings for Corrections Officers.

Civil Process

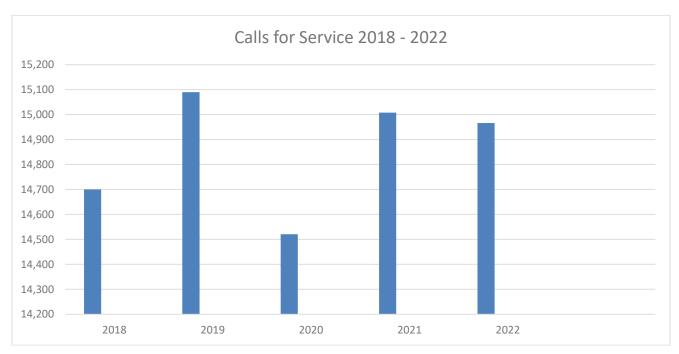
In 2022, the Somerset County Sheriff's Office Civil Deputies received 1,912 papers to process and serve. That is a 12% increase from 2021.

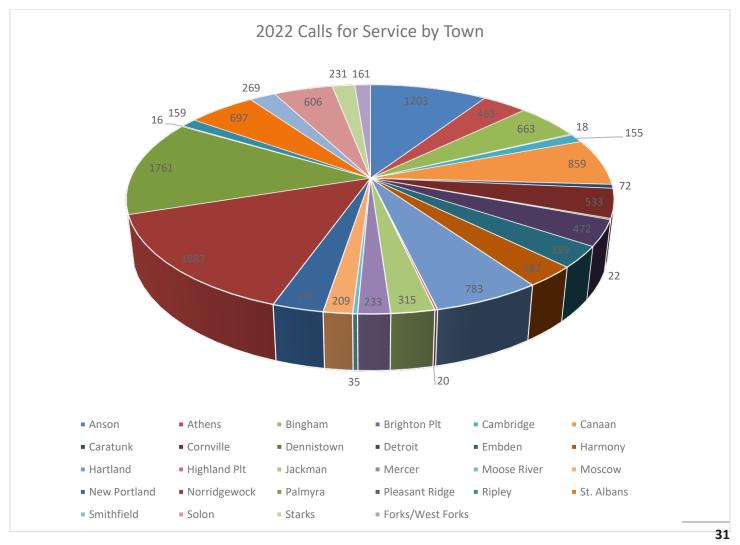
Calls for Service

- In 2022, the Sheriff's Office received 14,966 calls for service from our residents. This represents a 0.27% decrease from 2021.
- During 2022, the Sheriff's Office responded to 389 calls for service from the Town of Embden, which is a 9% decrease from 2021. These calls included 49 motor vehicle accidents, 9 motor vehicle stops, 15 calls requesting citizen assistance, 9 domestic disturbances, as well as calls regarding harassment, burglary, theft, criminal threatening, welfare checks, and other requests for police services.

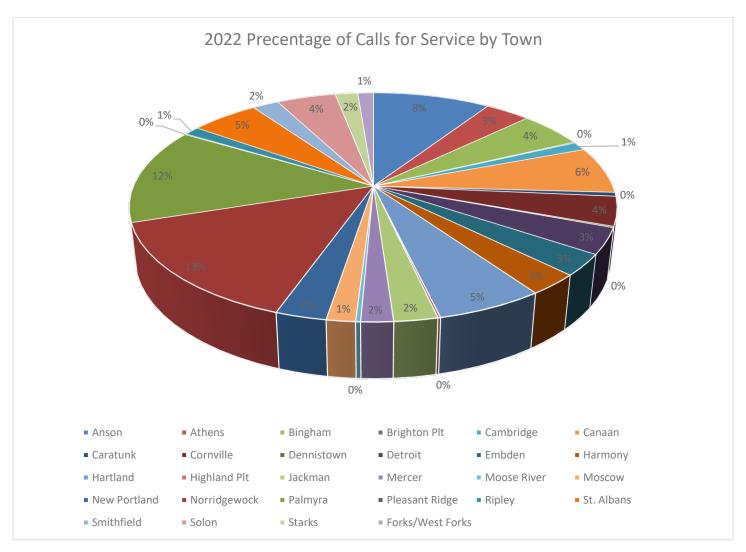
The Somerset County Sheriff Office remains committed to our core values: INTEGRITY-RESPECT-FAIRNESS-DEDICATION.











SECRET BALLOT ELECTION

Friday, March 3, 2023

And

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Saturday, March 4, 2023

To Ernest Falcone, resident of the Town of Embden, in the County of Somerset, State of Maine,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of <u>Embden</u> in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the <u>Embden Town Office</u> in said town on <u>Friday</u>, the 3rd day of <u>March</u>, A.D. <u>2023</u>, at <u>nine and forty-five</u> o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from ten o'clock in the forenoon until <u>six</u> o'clock in the evening;

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the <u>Embden Community Center</u> in said town on <u>Saturday</u>, the 4th day of March <u>2023</u> A.D., at <u>ten</u> o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on Articles 3 through 38 as set out below, to wit:

Article 1: To elect a moderator, all municipal officers, and school committee members are required to be elected.

Article 2: To elect municipal officers and school committee members as are required to be elected

Nominated Candidates:

Selectman, three-year term: Wayne McLaughlin

Myles Durkin

Tax Collector: Ruth Blake

Road Commissioner, one-year term: Michael Witham

RSU #74 School Board Director, three-year term:

Article 3: To see if the Inhabitants will accept the following tax assessment and collection related questions:

A. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Tax Collector and Treasurer to apply any property

tax overpayment of less than \$20 to that person's next year's property taxes.

- B. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to authorize citizens to pay their property taxes in one installment, due and payable 45 days after commitment or by September 1, 2023, and to charge interest at the rate of 8% per annum on unpaid balances after due date.
- C. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506 and pay 0% interest on these prepaid taxes.
- D. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate from overlay to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted during the fiscal year 2023 pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A Section 710.
- E. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to set the interest rate of 2% to be paid by the Town on abated taxes pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A Section 506-A.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 4. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Selectmen to procure a Tax Anticipation Note (TAN) for the purpose of paying municipal indebtedness; such note to be repaid during the current fiscal year from taxes paid during the municipal year.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 5. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Municipal Officers to apply for, accept, and expend grant money available from the State of Maine, Federal Government, or other organizations for any public purpose when they deem it to be in the town's best interest and needed matching funds are available within the current budget.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 6. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount of the previous annual budget during the period from January 1, 2024, to the Annual Town Meeting.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 7. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Municipal Officers to sell and dispose of any tax acquired property by the following procedure: acquiring a fair market value on the

property, set a minimum bid amount and to place said property out to bid. Then to award the property on such terms as they deem to be in the best interest of the town and to execute Quit Claim Deeds for such property.

Selectboard recommends.

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Article 8. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to accept gifts of money, equipment, or other articles for the town. (All gifts to become property of the town.)

Selectboard recommends.

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- **Article 9.** To see if the Inhabitants will accept funds from, but not limited to, the following potential revenue sources:
 - A. Municipal Revenue Sharing
 - B. Local Roads Assistance Program
 - C. State Aid for Education
 - D. Civil Emergency Funds
 - E. Tree Growth Reimbursement
 - F. Veteran's Exemption Reimbursement
 - G. Homestead Exemption Reimbursement
 - H. General Assistance Reimbursement
 - I. FEMA

Selectboard recommends.

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Article 10. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to authorize the municipal officers to make final determinations regarding the closing and opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 M.R.S.A. Section 2953.

Selectboard recommends

Article 11. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$130,000 from taxation for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for the Municipal Officials.

Selectboard recommends.

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Article 12. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 from taxation for membership, dues, etc. in civic organizations, (e.g.; KVCOG, SEDC, MMA, MTCCA, MTCTA, MAAO, etc.).

Selectboard recommends

Article 13. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 from taxation for all insurance policies (e.g.; worker's comp., building, equipment, etc.).

Selectboard recommends.

Article 14. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 from taxation for legal expenses (If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus).

Selectboard recommends

Article 15. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 from taxation for audit of the 2021 town books, expenses relating to Town Meeting(s), and for printing of the Annual Town Report. (If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus).

Selectboard recommends.

Article 16. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000 from taxation for utilities (e.g.; fuel, electricity, telephone, internet, security alarm, mowing, trash removal, office supplies, cleaning, etc.).

Town Office	\$30,000	Boat Landing/Town I	Beaches \$2,500
Community Center	\$40,000	Street Lights	\$2,500
Town House	\$ 2,500	Sand Shed	\$2,500

Selectboard recommends.

Article 17. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 from taxation for office supplies, equipment, Information/Technology, and Software Licensing used for operating the town office.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 18. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 from taxation for Facilities Maintenance.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 19. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 from taxation for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for Tax Assessment including tax maps.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 20. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 from taxation for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for the Planning Board.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 21. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 from taxation, for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for Code Enforcement.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 22. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 from taxation, for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for the Appeals Board (If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus).

Selectboard recommends.

Article 23. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$95,000 from taxation for emergency services and authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contractual agreements with the Town of Anson (fire protection), Anson-Madison-Starks (AMS Ambulance Service), and Anson/Madison Water District (for the annual rental of fire hydrants). If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus.

Fire Protection \$51,000 Ambulance Service \$25,000 Hydrant Rental \$19,000

Selectboard recommends.

Article 24. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 from taxation, for Animal shelter fees, compensation, and applicable taxes for the town's Animal Control Officer.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 25. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 from taxation for signs, maintenance, compensation, and applicable taxes for the town's E911 Coordination Officer.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 26. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to change the elected position of Road Commissioner from a one-year term to be elected to a three-year term effective at the Annual Town Meeting in 2024.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 27. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to pay all Town hired labor and equipment at the prevailing State of Maine hourly rate or what they will do related thereto.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 28. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000 from surplus for repair and maintenance of bridges, roads, and culverts, dedicated for use by the Road Commissioner (to be used in conjunction with carried forward balance and LRAP grant monies from the State of Maine).

Selectboard recommends.

Article 29. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate \$315,750 from taxation for winter roads, or what they will do related thereto.

Selectboard recommends

Article 30. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 from taxation for sanitation/solid waste disposal to Waste Management, Inc. (If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus).

Selectboard recommends

Article 31. To see if the Inhabitants will raise and appropriate \$2,000 from surplus for the purpose of General Assistance administered by the town. (If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus).

Selectboard recommends.

Article 32. To see if the Inhabitants will raise and appropriate the recommended amount from surplus for the following Social Services.

A. Stewart Public Library	\$1,500.00
B. Somerset County Hospice	\$1,300.00
C. Kennebec Behavioral Health	\$ 250.00
D. Spectrum Generations	\$1,000.00
E. People Who Care Food Cupboard	\$4,000.00
F. Baker Mountain	\$1,000.00

\$ 250.00
\$ 750.00
\$1,000.00
\$ 600.00
\$ 315.00
\$ 100.00
\$ 200.00
\$ 902.00
\$ 100.00
\$1,259.21

Total: \$14,526.21

Selectboard recommends.

Article 33. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,000 from surplus to the Embden Travelers Snowmobile Club for the maintenance of their system of trails and bridges open in snow season to the public within the Town of Embden.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 34. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 from surplus plus interest from the Mary Ann Burns trust fund for use, dedicated to maintenance of cemeteries within the town.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 35. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 from excise to add to the Capital Improvement Fund, specifically for future town road paving projects.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 36. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 from surplus to add to the Capital Improvement Fund, specifically for future town building projects.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 37. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to amend the Embden Shoreland Zoning Ordinance by adding the following sentence to Section C. (1) as follows:

No permit is required for a temporary dock benefiting a single-family residential parcel.

Selectboard recommends.

Article 38. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established

for the Town of Embden by State Law in the event that the municipal budget approved by the proposed articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit.

Selectboard recommends.

Dated:	2nd	day of	February	2023

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Municipal Officers

SECRET BALLOT ELECTION

Friday, March 4, 2022

And

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Saturday, March 5, 2022

To Ernest Falcone, resident of the Town of Embden, in the County of Somerset, State of Maine,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of <u>Embden</u> in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the <u>Embden Town Office</u> in said town on <u>Friday</u>, the 4th day of <u>March</u>, A.D. <u>2022</u>, at <u>nine and forty-five</u> o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from ten o'clock in the forenoon until <u>six</u> o'clock in the evening;

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the <u>Embden Community Center</u> in said town on <u>Saturday</u>, the 5th day of March, <u>2022</u> A.D., at <u>ten</u> o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on Articles 3 through 36 as set out below, to wit:

Article 1: To elect a moderator, all municipal officers, and school committee members as are required to be elected. Phil Curtis elected moderator

Nominated Candidates:

Selectman, three-year term: Charles Taylor

Road Commissioner, one-year term: Michael Witham

Vote of 56

RSU #74 School Board Director, three-year term: Kevin Sousa

Vote of 56

Vote of 56

Article 2: To see if the Inhabitants will accept the following tax assessment and collection related questions:

Article Passes

A. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Tax Collector and Treasurer to apply any property tax overpayment of less than \$20 to that person's next year's property taxes.

B. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to authorize citizens to pay their property taxes in two equal installments, the first one-half of taxes assessed for the current year shall become due and payable 45 days after commitment (interest on first one-half starts on this date), the second one-half of taxes assessed for the current year shall become due and payable on November 1, 2022 (interest

on second one-half starts after this date), and to charge interest at the rate of 6% per annum on unpaid balances after each due date.

- C. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506 and pay 0% interest on these prepaid taxes.
- D. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate from overlay to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted during the fiscal year 2022 pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A Section 710.
- E. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to set the interest rate of 2% to be paid by the Town on abated taxes pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A Section 506-A.

Selectmen recommend.

Article 3. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Selectmen to procure a Tax Anticipation Note (TAN) for the purpose of paying municipal indebtedness; such note to be repaid during the current fiscal year from taxes paid during the municipal year.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 4. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Municipal Officers to apply for, accept, and expend grant money available from the State of Maine, Federal Government, or other organizations for any public purpose when they deem it to be in the town's best interest and needed matching funds are available within the current budget. Article Passes

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 5. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount of the previous annual budget during the period from January 1, 2023 to the Annual Town Meeting. Article Passes

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 6. To see if the Inhabitants will authorize the Municipal Officers to sell and dispose of any tax acquired property by the following procedure: acquiring a fair market value on the property, set a minimum bid amount and to place said property out to bid. Then to award the property on such terms as they deem to be in the best interest of the town and to execute Quit Claim Deeds for such property. Article Passes

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 7. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to accept gifts of money, equipment, or other articles for the town. (All gifts to become property of the town.) Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

- Article 8. To see if the Inhabitants will accept funds from, but not limited to, the following potential revenue sources:
 - A. Municipal Revenue Sharing
 - B. Local Roads Assistance Program
 - C. State Aid for Education
 - D. Civil Emergency Funds
 - E. Tree Growth Reimbursement
 - F. Veteran's Exemption Reimbursement
 - G. Homestead Exemption Reimbursement
 - H. General Assistance Reimbursement
 - I FEMA

Article Passes Selectmen recommend.

Article 9. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to authorize the municipal officers to make final determinations regarding the closing and opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 M.R.S.A. Section 2953.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 10. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 from taxation for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for the Municipal Officials.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 11. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 from taxation for membership, dues, etc. in civic organizations, (e.g.; KVCOG, SEDC, MMA, MTCCA, MTCTA, MAAO, etc.).

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 12. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 from taxation for all insurance policies (e.g.; worker's comp., building, equipment, etc.).

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 13. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 from taxation for legal expenses (If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus). Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 14. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000 from taxation for audit of the 2021 town books, expenses relating to Town Meeting(s), and for printing

of the Annual Town Report. (If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus).

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 15. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$66,000.00 from taxation for utilities (e.g.; fuel, electricity, telephone, internet, security alarm, mowing, trash removal, office supplies, cleaning, etc.).

Town Office \$25,000 Boat Landing/Town Beaches \$2,000 Community Center \$35,000 Street Lights \$1,500

Town House \$ 1,000 Sand Shed \$1,500

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 16. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 from taxation for office supplies, equipment, Information/Technology, and Software Licensing used for operating the town office.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 17. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 from surplus for Facilities Maintenance.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 18. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 from taxation for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for Tax Assessment including tax maps.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 19. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 from taxation for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for the Planning Board.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 20. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000 from taxation, for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for Code Enforcement.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 21. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 from surplus, for compensation, applicable taxes, training, and other related expenses for the Appeals Board (If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus).

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 22. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$86,000 from taxation for emergency services, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contractual agreements with the Town of Anson (fire protection), Anson-Madison-Starks (AMS Ambulance Service), and Anson/Madison Water District (for the annual rental of fire hydrants). If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus.

Article Passes

Fire Protection \$47,000 Ambulance Service \$22,000 Hydrant Rental \$17,000

Selectmen recommend.

Article 23. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 from taxation, for Animal shelter fees, compensation, and applicable taxes for the town's Animal Control Officer.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 24. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500 from taxation for signs, maintenance, compensation, and applicable taxes for the town's E911 Coordination Officer.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 25. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to pay all Town hired labor and equipment at the prevailing State of Maine hourly rate or what they will do related thereto.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 26. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000 from taxation for repair and maintenance of bridges, roads, and culverts, dedicated for use by the Road Commissioner (to be used in conjunction with LRAP grant monies from the State of Maine).

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 27. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate \$315,750 from taxation for winter roads, or what they will do related thereto.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 28. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$47,000 from taxation for sanitation/solid waste disposal to Waste Management, Inc. (If required, any additional

funding to be from Surplus). **Article Passes**

Selectmen recommend.

Article 29. To see if the Inhabitants will raise and appropriate \$2,000 from surplus for the purpose of General Assistance administered by the town. (If required, any additional funding to be from Surplus). Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 30. To see if the Inhabitants will raise and appropriate the recommended amount from taxation for the following Social Services.

A. Stewart Public Library B. Somerset County Hospice C. Kennebec Behavioral Health D. Spectrum Generations E. People Who Care Food Cupboard F. Baker Mountain G. American Red Cross H. KVCAP I. Sunset Cemetery	\$1,500.00 \$1,300.00 \$ 250.00 \$1,000.00 \$4,000.00 \$1,000.00 \$ 250.00 \$ 750.00 \$1,000.00
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H. KVCAP	\$ 750.00
I. Sunset Cemetery	\$1,000.00
J. Madison Public Library	\$ 600.00
K. Sexual Assault Crisis & Support Center	\$ 315.00
L. Maine Public Broadcasting	\$ 100.00
M. Community Health & Counseling	\$ 100.00
N. Life Flight of Maine	\$1,000.00
O. Somerset Economic Development Corp.	\$ 100.00

Selectmen recommend.

Article 31. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,500 from surplus to the Embden Travelers Snowmobile Club for the maintenance of their system of trails and bridges open in snow season to the public within the Town of Embden.

Total:

\$13,265.00

Article Passes

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 32. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 from surplus plus interest from the Mary Ann Burns trust fund for use, dedicated for maintenance of cemeteries within the town. Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 33. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 from excise to add to the Capital Improvement Fund, specifically for future town road paving projects. Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Article 34. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for the Town of Embden by State Law in the event that the municipal budget approved by the proposed articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit.

Article Passes 11 YES 9 No

Selectmen recommend.

Article 35. To see if the Inhabitants will vote for the change of permit fees and language as follows:

1. To revoke the existing Town Ordinance for Permit Fees.

Current ordinance reads:

Permit Fee:

\$25.00 for any new construction and rehabilitation costs of over \$1,500.00 \$5.00 for any rehabilitation costs of up to \$1,500.00.

2. To revoke the existing Town Ordinance for After the Fact permit Fees.

Current ordinance reads:

After the Fact permit fees as follows:

\$200.00 for "after the fact" permits outside shoreland zone.

\$400.00 for "after the fact" permits within shoreland zone.

New Ordinance to read:

- 1. **All applications** including all required documentation for any new construction and/or rehabilitation whether within shoreland zone or outside the shoreland zone will require a \$25.00 processing fee.
- 2. Any construction and/or rehabilitation that is done without a building permit within the shoreland zone will require a completed building application with appropriate documentation and \$25.00 processing fee along with a \$400.00 to \$1500.00 fine. Any construction and/or rehabilitation that is done without a building permit outside the shoreland zone will require a completed building application with appropriate documentation and \$25.00 processing fee along with a \$200.00 to \$1500.00 fine.

Selectmen recommend.

Article 36. To see if the Inhabitants will vote to allow the Municipal Officers of the Town of Embden to set all fees and fines.

Article Passes

Selectmen recommend.

Dated: 3rd day of February 2022

Charles E. Taylor, Select Board Chairman

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Janice L. Welch

Wayne McLaughlin, Selectman

Janice Welch, Selectwoman

Municipal Officers

Elected Positions

Board of Selectpeople 3 Year Term

Charles Taylor (2025) \$4750.00 Stipend for Chair \$2500.00

Wayne McLaughlin (2023) \$4750.00

Janice Welch (2024) \$4750.00

<u>Town Clerk / Treasurer</u> 3 Year Term \$33,350.00 27 Hour week 2 wks. Vacation & 5 days of personal/sick time & Agent fees

Christine Sockwell (2024)

Tax Collector 3 Year Term \$28,400 23 Hour week 2 wks. Vacation & 5 days of personal/sick time &

Agent fees

Ruth Blake (2023)

Road Commissioner 1 Year Term \$29.70/Hr. State Foreman Wages

Michael Witham (2023)

Appointed Positions

Assessor 3 Year Term \$25000.00

Shirley Bartlett (2024)

Assessing Clerk 3 Year Term \$21.00/Hr. Hired by Assessor

Terriann Lamontagne (2024)

General Assistance Office 1 Year Term

\$820.00 Charles Taylor (2023)

Register of Voters 3 Year Term \$1000.00 Plus \$21/Hr. for Election days

Christine Sockwell (2023)

Animal Control Officer 1 Year Term \$500.00 Plus \$26/1st Hr., \$20 Additional Hrs. & Mileage

Dillon Wellman SR. (2023)

Code Enforcement Officer 1 Year Term \$17800.00

Terriann Lamontagne (2023)

Deputy CEO 1 Year Term \$525.00 Plus \$21/Hr.

Susan Hathaway (2023)

Deputy TAX COLLECTOR 1 Year Term \$1000.00

Christine Sockwell (2023)

Licensed Plumbing Inspector 1 Year Term Based on Fees (75% Fees paid to LPI)

Leo Mayo (2023)

E-911 Addressing Officer 1 Year Term \$1300.00

Eleanor Ketchum (2023)

Health Officer 3 Year Term \$300.00 Plus \$25/Call & Mileage

Leo Mayo (2022)

Town Fire Warden Indefinitely \$N/A

Stacey Bean

Planning Board 5 Year Term \$34.00/Mtg. Stipend for Secretary \$1250.00 /Chair \$1000.00

Leo Mayo (2025), Anne Bridges (2023), Kelly Bragg (2026), Myles Durkin (2024), Star Farrin (2022),

Kelly Bragg (2026), William Gassert (2027), Randy Caldwell (2023), Aaron Crocker (2023)

Board of Appeals 1 Year Term \$66.00/Mtg. Stipend for Chair \$275.00

John Duff (2023), Mary Keenan (2023), Dale Mullin (2023)

Election Clerks 2 Year Tern \$16.00/Hr. Appointed by Register of Voters

John Duff, Alyson Duff, Betty Pratt, Amy Champany

Report of Expenditures

Article 10. Municipal Officials \$100,000 Appropriated		
Selectboard		16,900.00
Ballot Clerks/Moderators		4,644.50
Tax Collector		28,384.80
Town Clerk		33,349.92
GA Officer		849.96
Health Officer		300.00
Deputy		1,000.00
Training		1,114.38
FICA		6,069.60
Medicare		1,419.58
	Total Expended	94,032.74
Article 11. Membersip Dues \$7000 Appropriated		
MMA Dues		3,000.00
MMTCTA Dues		1,000.00
KVCOG Dues		3,000.00
	Total Expended	7,000.00
Article 12. Insurance Policies \$15,000 Appropriated		
Property & Casualty Insurance		8800
Workers Compensation Insurance		3195
		11995
Article 13. Legal Expenses \$20000 Appropriated		
Dues & Legal		3505.5
	Total Expended	3505.5
Article 14. Audit & Town Report \$11000 Appropriated		
Town Report		1805
Audit		7000
Town Meeting		322.12
	Total Expended	9127.12
Article 15. Utilities \$66000 Appropriated		
Town Office		
Electricity		2835.37
Gas/Oil		2339.61
Telephone		5656.76

Water			355.48
Alarm System			552
Office Cleaning			2665
Trash Removal			265
Grounds Maintenance - N	Mowing		1292
Embden Community Ce	•		1232
Electricity			4955.33
Gas/Oil			11386.83
Telephone			1506.92
Water			4170.08
Alarm System			786.5
Office Cleaning			3384.61
Trash Removal			305
Town House			
Electricity			533.9
Grounds Maintenance			375
Boat Landing			
Portable Toilet Rental			1580
Grounds Maintenance			300
		Total Expended	45245.39
Article 16. Office Supplies / Tech	nnology \$35,000 Appropriated		
Town Office			
Office Supplies			4121.68
Office Equipment			1490.14
Technology			7839.62
Hardware Upgrade			1228.49
Software & Licensing			4625.93
Postage			1125.72
Safe Deposit Box Rental	l		25
Printing			2010.47
Embden Community Ce	enter		
Office Equipment			115.05
		Total Expended	22582.1
Article 17. Facilities Maintenance			
	\$25622.00 Carried Forward		
Town Office			
Maintenance			317.84
Embden Community Ce	nter		
Maintenance			20247.91
Town House			

Maintenance		176.39
Sand Shed		
Maintenance		6719.89
	Total Expended	27462.03
Article 18. Assessors Compensation / Training \$40,000 Appropriated		
Compensation		25000
Secretarial Services		6352.5
Mileage		861.13
Training		1236.62
FICA		393.86
Medicare		92.12
Somerset Registry of Deeds		170.5
IAAO Dues		60
CMAAO Dues		45
MAAO Dues		140
	Total Expended	34351.73
Article 40. Planning Reard Companyation / Training #20.000 Appropriated		
Article 19. Planning Board Compensation / Training \$20,000 Appropriated Compensation		6268
Training		65
FICA		370.37
Medicare		86.63
Office Supplies		241.78
	Total Expended	7031.78
Article 20. Code Enforcement Compensation / Training \$22,000 Appropriated		
Compensation		17850
10 - Mileage		986.88
11 - Deputy		525
15 - Training		35
20 - FICA		1139.23
25 - Medicare		266.38
45 - MBOIA Dues		35
TO INIDON COURS	Total Expended	20837.49
Article 21. Appeals Board Compensation / Training \$2,000 Appropriated		
Compensation		341
FICA		21.14
Medicare		4.94
	Total Expended	367.08

Article 22. Emergency Services \$86,000 Appropriated		
Anson FD Fire Protection		49601.47
Hydrant Rental		8822.18
AMS Ambulance Service		15178.98
	Total Expended	73602.63
Article 23. Animal Control Officer \$5,000 Appropriated		
Compensation		1094
Mileage		246.29
FICA		67.83
Medicare		15.86
Somerset Humane Society	Total Expended	1423.98
Article 24. E911 Addressing Officer \$3,500 Appropriated		
Compensation		1400
FICA		86.8
Medicare		20.3
Road Signs		867.41
	Total Expended	2374.51
Article 26. Summer Roads \$250,000 Appropriated		
\$43,928 LRAP		
\$212,931 Carried Forward		
Compensation		5197.5
FICA		322.25
Medicare		75.36
Hot Top		6327.4
Culverts		5598
Gravel		95914.53
Equip Rental		1430
Road Warning Signs & Posters		297.6
Calcium		7040
Summer Roads Contractor	Total Expended	207818.15
		330020.79
Article 27. Winter Roads \$315,750 Appropriated		
Contract		315,750
	Total Expended	315,750
Article 28. Waste Management \$47,000 Appropriated		
Contract		44,278.17

	Total Expended	44,278.17
Article 29. General Assistance 2,000 Appropriated		
Assistance		1160.96
	Total Expended	1160.96
Article 30. Social Services \$13,265 Appropriated		
Stewart Public Library		1500
Hospice of Somerset Cty		1300
Kennebec Behavioral Health		250
Spectrum Generations		1000
Madison Food Cupboard		4000
Baker Mountain Ski Tow Club		1000
American Red Cross		250
KVCAP		750
Sunset Cemetary Association		1000
Madison Public Library		600
Sexual Assault Crisis & Supprt		315
Maine Public Broadcasting Netw		100
Community Health & Counseling		100
Life Flight of Maine		1000
Somerset Economic Development		100
	Total Expended	13265
Article 31. Embden Travelers Club \$2,500 Appropriated		
Embden Travelers Club		2500
	Total Expended	2500
Article 32. Cemeteries \$2,000 Appropriated		
Embden Historical Society		2000
		2000
Article 33. Capital Improvement Fund \$170,881 Appropriated		
Paving		170881
	Total Expended	170881

Revenues

Bank Interest	10830.73
Lien Costs	6735.03
Dog Fees	252
Dog License Late Fee	275
Postage Fee	27.18
Building Permits	6830
Tree Cutting Permits	2430
Plumbing Permits	5595
ARPA Funds	50974.86
Homestead Reimbursement	74560
Veterans Reimbursement	1332
Snowmobile Reimbursement	820.88
State Mun Revenue Sharing	146953.62
BETE	26
Tree Growth Reimbursement	30658.53
MDOT Highway Reimbursement	43688
General Assistance Reimburseme	1000
Ordinance Fines	5950
	388938.83

2023 Annual Town Meeting Proposed Appropriation

	<u>Description</u>	LRAP Block Grant & Other Revenues	<u>Carried Fwd</u>	<u>Taxation</u>	<u>Surplus</u>	<u>Excise</u>	2023 Proposed Operating Budget
Art. 1-10	No Monetary Appropriation						
Art. 11 Art. 12	Municipal Officials Membership Dues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 130,000 \$ 8,000	· ·	\$ -	\$ 130,000 \$ 8,000
Art. 13	Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000		\$ -	\$ 20,000
Art. 14	Legal Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000
Art. 15	Town Audit/Town Meeting/Annual Report	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000	1	\$ -	\$ 15,000
Art. 16	Utilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80,000		\$ -	\$ 80,000
Art. 17	Supplies/ Equipment/ IT/Trio Lic.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,000
Art. 18	Facilities Maintenance	\$ -	\$ 10,160	\$ 40,000		\$ -	\$ 50,160
Art. 19	Tax Assessment/Tax Maps	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000
Art. 20	Planning Board	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000	Î	\$ -	\$ 20,000
Art. 21	Code Enforcement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000
Art. 22	Appeals Board	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000
Art. 23	Fire Protection, Hydrants, Ambulance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95,000
Art. 24	Animal Control	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000
Art. 25	E911	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000
Art. 26	Road Commissioner 3yr term	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Art. 27	State Wages	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Art. 28	Summer Roads Repair & Maint. (W/LRAP)	\$ 43,688	\$ 176,838	\$ -	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ 470,526
Art. 29	Winter Roads Plowing & Sanding Contract	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 315,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 315,750
Art. 30	Sanitation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000
Art. 31	General Assistance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000
Art. 32	Social Services/Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,526	\$ -	\$ 14,526
No Art.	Recreation Department	\$ -	\$ 5,093	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,093
Art. 33	Snowmobile Club	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000		\$ 3,000
Art. 34	Maintenance of Cemeteries	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ 3,000
Art. 35	Capital Improvement Fund - Road Paving	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
Art. 36	Capital Improvement Fund - Town Bldgs	\$ -	\$ 38,541	\$ -	\$ 12,000	\$ -	\$ 50,541
Art. 37	Shoreline Ordinance dock wording change	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Art. 38	Tax Levy Limit-No Monetary Appropriation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		URIP Block Grant					Proposed Total
		& Other Revenues	Carried Fwd	<u>Taxation</u>	<u>Surplus</u>	<u>Excise</u>	Funding All Sources
	2023 Totals	\$ 43,688	\$ 230,632	\$ 935,750	\$ 284,526	\$ 150,000	\$ 1,644,596
	2022 Totals	\$ 43,928	\$ 318,618	\$ 1,058,515	\$ 16,000	\$ 152,500	\$ 1,589,561
	Differential +/-	\$ (240)	\$ (87,986)			<u> </u>	
	Differential %	-0.55%	-27.61%	-11.60%		· · · · ·	3.46%
			Excise 1	ax			
				l 2022	· -	ated 2023	DIFF
	Revenue/Anticipated		\$	222,905	\$	220,000	\$ (2,905)
	Expended/Proposed Appropriation		\$	152,500			
	Lapse to Surplus	T.	\$	70,405	\$	70,000	\$ (405)
	2022 Appropriations 2021 Appropriations			ropriations			
	Municipal Taxation	stion \$1,589,561.00 Municipal Taxation				\$991,357.00	
	County Tax		\$542,175.69	County Tax			\$493,583.00
	MSAD #74		\$1,788,235.00	MSAD #74			\$1,731,473.00
	Overlay		-\$10,244.79				\$74,198.00
	Total Due/Taxation		\$3,909,726.90	Total Due/Taxation	n		\$3,290,611.00

2022 Delinquent Property Taxes

* Paid after 12/31/2022 and before 2/1/2023

	Namo	Amount Due
	Name	
	ADAMS, BARRY W. JR	423.65
	ALLEN, CHARLES LINCOLN REVOCABLE TRUST OF	3.95
	AMMARELL, ANNETTE	399.85
	ANDERS, V. BARBARA	432.18
*	ARMBRISTER, EUGENE	1,814.10
•	AUSTIN, RACHEL	3,669.45
	BAKER, CINDY	505.26
	BALISE, BRAD D.	3.16
	BELANGER, COREY	994.95
	BENBROOK, BEVERLY A ATTN	216.46
	BISHOP, TERRY L.	1,382.69
	BOLDUC, PATRICIA D.	416.22
	BOLTHOUSE, CATHERINE L.	397.17
	BREAULT, NATHAN	837.42
	BRETON, MITCHELL R.	398.52
	BROWN, ROBERT A.	393.13
	BURNS, DANNY E.	2,295.50
	BURRILL, TAMMY I.	1,214.40
	BUTTERS, JAMES A.	950.18
	CARAMIHALIS, MICHAEL J.	264.18
*	CHIPMAN, WADE R.	468.53
	CHRISTOPHER, JONATHAN R.	1,626.37
*	CORRIVEAU, KATHERINE G. & JOSEPH L.	710.18
	COSTELLO, MYLES T.	263.88
	COTE FAMILY REAL ESTATE, LLC	684.65
*	CRAIG, CHLOERIVA N.	1,650.61
	CUMMINGS, SHERRIE L	687.98
	CUMMINGS, SHERRIE L.	290.81
	DANFORTH, AUBREY L. (ESTATE OF)	924.94
	DANFORTH, AUBREY L. (ESTATE OF)	228.88
	DANFORTH, BRUCE A.	1,249.40
	DEWLEY, TRUMAN A.	21.26
	DEXTER, ASHLEY	258.49
	DILL, JUDITH L	1,056.88
	DOIRON, MATTHEW R. & ROBERT A.	2,165.38
	EBNETER, KURT T.	3,624.35
	FLAHERTY, JAMES	333.89
	FLYNN FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST	780.88
*	FOLEY, JOHN	252.63
*	FOLEY, JOHN T.	
	·	1,522.71
	FRITH, PALMER E. II	2,649.60
	G.M. REALTY	5.64
	GOODALE, KRISTINA	456.41
	GOODINE, LEO G.	162.02
	GOODINE, LEO G.	2.69
	GOODRICH, TAMMY L. (LE)	1,275.62
	GRAY, LINDA M.	892.62

	GUPPY, DARCY J.	6.04
	HARDING JR., RICHARD L.	2,109.71
*	HAUSER ET AL, LAURA L.	920.89
*	HAUSER, ET AL LAURA L.	2,720.95
	HENDERSON, GLORIA	2,253.77
		•
	HIBBARD, JOSEPH M.	1,932.00
	HOLLOWAY, STANLEY K.	1,699.08
	JILLSON, JOSHUA P.	390.44
	JOHNSON, RONALD L. SR.	477.95
	JORDAN VENTURES	212.72
	JUDSON, DARRYL L.	1,529.44
	JUDSON, DARRYL L.	661.05
	KELLEY, MATTHEW J.	352.68
	KELLY, MICHAEL	2,217.43
	·	•
	KENNEY, DAVID D.	2,706.14
	KENNY, MEGAN C.	3.22
	KENNY, MEGAN C.	2.25
	KIERNAN, CAROL A	3,589.34
	KRITZER, TODD	2.31
	KROMS, VERA & JONES, JENNIFER	605.86
	LADD, CINDY L.	1,064.95
	LAFLAMME, CARL P. (JT)	389.73
	LAVASSEUR, ANNMARIE	328.51
	LAVERDIERE, JANICE B.	413.33
	LEMIRE, JEFFERY A	311.01
	·	
	LEMIRE, JEFFERY A	271.96
	LEMIRE, JEFFREY A	292.16
	LEMIRE, JEFFREY A	387.74
	LEWIS, CHRISTIAN J.	2,004.92
	LIBBY, LAURA L.	2,093.55
	LINDSTROM, JOEL E.	901.01
	MALESKY, FORREST M.	854.92
	MALESKY, FORREST M.	1,646.58
	MALESKY, FORREST M.	378.32
	MALESKY, FORREST M.	324.46
	MARINO, DANIEL F.	1,094.58
	MAYO, CYNTHIA M.	563.95
	MCCARTHY, CAROLYN M.	1,860.64
	MCCLAMMA, JASON D.	511.61
	,	
	MCDOWELL, ANDREW R.	518.16
	MCDOWELL, ANDREW R.	293.03
	MCNEIL, LARA E.	3,431.82
	MERCIER, COLLEEN L	1,611.57
	MILLER, DUWAYNE E.	341.97
	MOGENSEN, JEFF	2,210.77
	MONACO, JUDITH	258.49
	MOODY, DOLORES P.	561.41
	MOODY, ROXANNE M.	1,319.02
	MORAN, STEPHEN M.	2,580.92
	MORAN, STEPHEN M.	1,937.38
	MORIN, JO-ANN A.	1,306.15
	LIGHTIA 20 VIAIA VI	1,500.15

	MORNING, JAMES S	593.73
	MORRILL, ERIC S.	1,055.53
	MORRIS, SAMUEL G	1,225.16
	MORRIS, SAMUEL G.	336.59
	MORRIS, SAMUEL G.	26.93
	MORRISETTE JR., DONALD	315.05
	MORRISETTE JR., DONALD	297.54
	MORTON, GERALD B.	137.54
	MULLIN, JOHN L. ET. AL.	286.23
	MULLIN, JOHN, KEVIN & STACEY	1,253.24
	NELSON, SHARON	671.21
	NILE, LAURIE	574.88
*	NORTON FAMILY IRREVOCABLE TRUST	1,322.28
	O'BRIEN, PATRICK W.	34.02
	O'CONNELL, DANIEL S. & REBECCA C.	510.64
	O'LEARY, ETHAN G.	217.88
	PARTRIDGE, SCLASTIC MAY	145.13
*	PINKHAM, CRAIG C.	479.29
	POIRER, CHRISTOPHER	1,880.84
	POMERLOW, DONALD W	604.51
*	QUARTON, FRANCES BAXTER TRUST	1,439.23
	QUINONES, JAMES	134.63
	RAYMOND, LORETTA	1,324.80
	REINHARD, LUKE R	293.51
	REINHARD, LUKE R.	394.49
	REINHARD, LUKE R.	416.03
	RICE, RUSSELL	748.56
	RODERICK, MARC	640.30
	RODERICK, MICHAEL	498.14
	ROGERS, TRAVIS	805.59
	SCHEIBEL, NICHOLAS R.	4,232.89
	SHARKEY, LEE	82.12
	SHARKEY, LEE	90.21
	SHAW, KENNETH D.	786.26
	SHAW, NORMAN R	442.95
	SHAW, NORMAN R	253.12
	SHELTRY, JARED D.	2.26
*	SHING, KATE L.	397.17
	SMITH, WINN S.	2,061.24
	SWEENEY, RYAN	677.22
	THOMAS TRUST, LISA B.	4.89
	THOMAS TRUST, LISA B.	17.89
	TILLSON, LEROY	1,479.63
	TONER, ERICA M	289.45
	TRUSCOTT, DANIEL T	828.00
	TRUSCOTT, KATIE	368.89
	VILES, GLENN S	552.00
	VILES, GLENN S VILES, JANA L.	3,162.55
	WAMPATUCK, LLC	420.06 3 781 87
	WARREN, DOUGLAS E.	3,781.87 931.67
	WAINLIN, DOUGLAS L.	331.07

* '	WAUGH, EARLENE F	161.56
,	WAY, JAMIE L	47.11
,	WEEKS, MICHAEL W.	875.12
,	WHITE, TIMOTHY L	1,629.76
,	WILKINS, STACY & STEVEN; ZEH, TAMBERLAINE; WILLIAM	123.35
,	WINSLOW, DANIEL T.	313.69
,	WOOD, KENNETH G	356.78
,	WUORI, GUY	7.24
,	WYMAN, TRAVIS P	393.13
,	YORDANOPOULOS, GEORGE B.	302.65
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	162 Accounts	141453.84

2021 Delinquent Property Taxes

* Paid after 12/31/2022 and before 2/1/2023

Name	Amount Due
ANDERS, V. BARBARA	493.79
BELANGER, COREY	1,051.25
BISHOP, TERRY L.	1,448.56
BROWN, ROBERT A.	454.93
CHRISTOPHER, JONATHAN R.	465.71
DANFORTH, AUBREY L. (ESTATE OF)	989.84
DANFORTH, AUBREY L. (ESTATE OF)	290.09
DANFORTH, BRUCE A.	1,314.84
DEXTER, ASHLEY	638.61
FLYNN FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST, 2014 J & M	509.75
HARDING JR., RICHARD L.	2,177.85
JILLSON, JOSHUA P.	699.17
JUDSON, DARRYL L.	1,596.28
JUDSON, DARRYL L.	725.49
KENNEY, DAVID D.	2,772.22
KROMS, VERA & JONES, JENNIFER	667.96
LADD, CINDY L.	1,129.28
LIBBY, LAURA L.	2,110.03
MCCARTHY, CAROLYN M.	1,879.29
MCCLAMMA, JASON D.	573.09
MILLER, DUWAYNE E.	62.61
MONACO, JUDITH	319.64
MORAN, STEPHEN M.	2,652.13
MORAN, STEPHEN M.	2,006.81
MORNING, JAMES S	655.51
MORRIS, SAMUEL G	1,291.50
MORRIS, SAMUEL G.	397.39
NILE, LAURIE	556.95
REINHARD, LUKE R	353.84
REINHARD, LUKE R.	456.48
REINHARD, LUKE R.	478.25
SCHEIBEL, NICHOLAS R.	4,311.30
SWEENEY, RYAN	741.04
TRUSCOTT, DANIEL T	890.32
TRUSCOTT, BANILE T	430.04
VILES, GLENN S	611.98
VILES, GLENN S	3,235.25
WAUGH, EARLENE F	185.97
WEEKS, MICHAEL W.	49.71
WELKS, PITCHALL W.	75.71

2020 Delinquent Property Taxes

*paid after 12/31/2022 and before 2/1/2023

<u>Name</u>	Balace Due
KROMS, VERA & JONES, JENNIFER	54.36
MONACO, JUDITH	349.02
2 Accounts	403.38

TOWN OF EMBDEN, MAINE

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT with Independent Auditor's Report

For the Year Ending December 31, 2022

Statement 1

TOWN OF EMBDEN, MAINE Statement of Net Position December 31, 2022

ASSETS Current Assets:	Governmental <u>Activities</u>
	2,788,419
Taxes Liens	160,217 37,989
Total Current Assets	2,986,625
Noncurrent Assets:	
Capital assets, net	2,013,725
Total Assets	5,000,350
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities: Accounts payable	21,757
Total Current Liabilities	21,757
Total Liabilities	21,757
NET POSITION Invested in capital assets,	
net of related debt	2,013,725
Unrestricted	2,964,868
Total net position \$	4,978,593

Statement 2

TOWN OF EMBDEN, MAINE Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Function/Programs Governmental activities:	\$	<u>Expenses</u>	Pi Charges for <u>Services</u>	cogram Revenue Operating grants and contributions	es Capital grants and contributions	Net (Expense) Revenues
General government	Ą	319,834	4,660			(315,174)
Public safety		79,996	7,060			(72,936)
Public works		1,070,129	7,000	64,004		(1,006,125)
Leisure services		2,500	12,000	821		10,321
Health & sanitation		46,839				(46,839)
Social services		15,339				(15, 339)
Special Assessments		2,336,752				(2,336,752)
Unclassified		0	509			509
Total governmental activities	-	3,871,389	24,229	64,825	0	(3,782,335)
	-					Governmental
						Activities
Net (expense) / revenue						
General revenues:						
Property taxes						3,373,294
Excise taxes						223,846
Interest and costs on taxes						10,575
Intergovernmental:						
State revenue sharing						146,954
Homestead exemption Tree growth						74,560
Septic grant						30,659
Veterans reimbursement						11,769 1,332
BETE						26
ARPA						50,284
Miscellaneous						3,556
Unrestricted interest						10,418
						20,120
Total general revenues	E				-	3,937,273
Change in Net Position	1					154,938
Net position - beginning						4,852,939
Prior period adjustment					_	(29,284)
Beginning net position - restated						4 003 655
Net Position - ending	\$				-	4,823,655
Het rosition - ending	Y				=	4,978,593

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Statement 3

TOWN OF EMBDEN, MAINE Balance Sheet Governmental Funds December 31, 2022

ASSETS Cash Receivables: Taxes		eneral F <u>und</u> 788,419	Go \$	
Liens		37,989		160,217 37,989
Total Assets	2,	986,625	_	2,986,625
LIABILITIES Accounts payable		21,757		21,757
Total Liabilities		21,757	_	21,757
UNEARNED REVENUE Unearned property taxes		168,200		168,200
Total Liabilities and Unearned Revenue		189,957	_	189,957
FUND BALANCES Assigned revenues Assigned expenditures Unassigned Total Fund Equity	2,	56,258 230,632 509,778 796,668		56,258 230,632 2,509,778 2,796,668
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity		986,625	\$	
Amounts reported for governmental active statement of net position are different				
Capital assets used in governmental a not financial resources and, therefor reported in the funds.				2,013,725
Other long-term assets are not availa for current-periods expenditures and deferred in the funds.				168,200
Net assets of governmen	tal ac	tivities	\$ <u></u>	4,978,593

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TOWN OF EMBDEN, MAINE

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances $\mbox{Governmental Funds}$

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Revenues:		General <u>Fund</u>		Capital Projects <u>Fund</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
Taxes	\$	3,633,406			3,633,406
Intergovernmental	Ą	380,408	\$	Ş	3,633,406
Interest					8 03 8 5 - 8
		10,418			10,418
Charges for services		24,229			24,229
Miscellaneous		3,556			3,556
Total Revenues		4,052,017	-	0	4,052,017
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government		310,982			310,982
Public safety		79,996			79,996
Public works		821,202			821,202
Leisure services		2,500			2,500
Health & Sanitation		44,278			44,278
Social services		15,339			15,339
Special assessments		2,336,752			2,336,752
Total Expenditures	_	3,611,049		0	3,611,049
Excess of Revenues Over					
(Under) Expenditures		440,968		0	440,968
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfer in (out)		199,475		(199,475)	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	199,475		(199, 475)	
Net change in fund balances		640,443		(199, 475)	440,968
Fund Balances - beginning		2,185,509		199,475	2,384,984
Prior period adjustment		(29,284)		0	(29,284)
Fund Balances - beginning restated		2,156,225		199,475	2,355,700
Fund Balances - ending	\$	2,796,668	\$ _	0 \$	2,796,668

TOWN OF EMBDEN, MAINE Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2022	Statement 5
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	440,968
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets: Depreciation expense Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide	(260,336)
current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds: Deferred property tax revenue	(25,694)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$	154,938

Statement 6

TOWN OF EMBDEN, MAINE
Statement of Net Position
Fiduciary Fund - Cemeteries
December 31, 2022

	Private Purpose <u>Trust Fund</u>
ASSETS	
Cash - certificates of deposit	\$ 5,880
Total Assets	5,880
NET POSITION	
Held in Trust	5,880
Total Net Position	\$ 5,880

Statement 7

TOWN OF EMBDEN, MAINE Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	Private Purpose <u>Trust Fund</u>
Additions:	
Interest income	\$ 20
Total Additions	20
Deductions:	
Cemetery	2
Total Deductions	2
Change in Net Position	18
Net Position - beginning	5,862
Net Position - ending .	\$ 5,880

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Schedule 1

TOWN OF EMBDEN, MAINE Budget Comparison Schedule General Fund For the year ended December 31, 2022

For the year ended becember 31, 2022							
	Variance with						
	<u>Budq</u>	final budget					
		_, _		positive			
	Original	<u>Final</u>	Actual	(negative)			
Revenues:	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Taxes	3,382,2		3,633,406	251,193			
Intergovernmental	208,8	208,896	380,408	171,512			
Interest			10,418	10,418			
Charges for services			24,229	24,229			
Miscellaneous			3 , 556	3,556			
Total revenue	as 3,591,10	3,591,109	4,052,017	460,908			
Expenditures:							
Current:							
General government	429,7		310,982	118,731			
Public safety	94,50		79 , 996	14,504			
Public works	993,49		821,202	172,288			
Leisure services	7,59		2,500	5,093			
Health & sanitation	47,00		44,278	2,722			
Social services	15,20		15,339	(74)			
Special assessments	2,320,10		2,336,752	(16,586)			
Unclassified	2,00	2,000		2,000			
Total expenditure	as 3,909,72	3,909,727	3,611,049	298,678			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues							
over (under) expenditures	(318,63	.8) (318 , 618)	440,968	14,504			
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Transfer in (out)			199,475	199,475			
Hansier in (ode)			133/173	100,110			
Total other financing sources (uses	1)	0 0	199,475	199,475			
Net change in fund balances	(318,61	(318,618)	640,443	959,061			
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Fund Balance - beginning	2,185,50	2,185,509	2,185,509	(20, 204)			
Prior period adjustment Fund Balance - beginning restated	2,185,50	9 2,185,509	(29,284) 2,156,225	(29,284) (29,284)			
Fund Balance - beginning restated Fund Balance - ending	\$ 1,866,89						
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207-566-5551

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Leo Mayo -207-566-7341

Health Inspector

Leo Mayo -207-566-7341

Road Commissioner

Michael Witham 207-431-1604

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Animal Control Officer

Dillon Wellman Sr. 207-474-6386

Embden Community Center

207-566-7302